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> RE: Amendment 5 to the Council of Fresno Governments (COFCOG) 2008/09-2011/12 Federal Transportation Improvement Program

Dear Ms. Falsetti:

We have completed our review of your correspondence dated March 9, 2009, and supporting information regarding Amendment Number 5 to the Council of Fresno Governments (COFCOG) 2008/2009-2011/2012 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP). We approve this amendment for inclusion into the California 2008/2009-2011/2012 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP).

This amendment programs FTA ARRA transit funds of \$11,262,685 for Section 5307 capital projects and preventive maintenance in FY 08/09. It also programs Section 5311 ARRA funds in the amount of \$1,719,500 for FTA 5311 capital projects in FY 08/09.

We find this amendment in accordance with 23 CFR 450 and to be based on a continuing, comprehensive, and coordinated transportation planning process in accordance with the provisions of 23 USC 134 and 49 USC 5303. The elements of this amendment are consistent with the State Implementation Program and conform to applicable air quality regulations. In addition, the funds programmed are consistent with anticipated revenues and the amendment does not conflict with current financial planning expectations.

This letter also constitutes approval of the amendment with the understanding that FTA funding approval on individual projects is subject to the grantees meeting the necessary administrative requirements.

Should you have any questions, please contact Paul Page at (415) 744-2734.

Singerely

Regional Administrator

cc: Mr. Gene Fong, FHWA

Ms. Barbara Goodwin, Council of Fresno County Governments

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